

Attorney's Docket No. 9052-106

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Thied et al  
Serial No.: 10/049,779  
Filed: June 26, 2002  
For: PROCESS FOR SEPARATING METALS

Confirmation No.: 6112  
Group Art Unit: 1742  
Examiner: Wesley A. Nicolas

Date: February 25, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of ( 1 ) month(s) to respond to the Official Action dated November 20, 2003.
2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:

is filed herewith.

has been filed.

3. Applicant:

Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Does not claim small entity status.

4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d)):

| <u>Total Months Requested</u>                 | <u>Fee For Other Than Small Entity</u> | <u>Fee for Small Entity</u> |
|---|--|-----------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> one month | \$110.00                               | \$55.00                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> two months           | \$420.00                               | \$210.00                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> three months         | \$950.00                               | \$475.00                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> four months          | \$1,480.00                             | \$740.00                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> five months          | \$2,010.00                             | \$1,005.00                  |

Fee Enclosed \$ 110.00

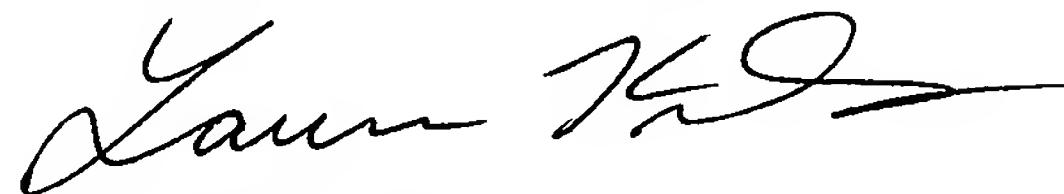
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A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038) is enclosed.

Charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

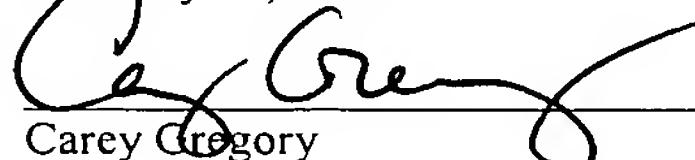


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